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Yosemite Valley
Dec 17th 77
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My dear Keith
I hope that you
still hunger & thirst
for the beauty wh is here,
that the Landscapes you
beheld from our clean
mountain windows have
not become dim.
Human souls are possess-
ed of wonderful vitality
else they would die in the
fearful chokedamps of
towns.

I had to make two journeys
to the upper temples ere I could
rid myself of the fearful smokes
& smells of your lumber region.
The sky of our mansion

is still blue & lighted with
cloudless sunshine

One could go in perfect
safety to the very summits
of the range.

Mr Mac Auley is now
at Henereys, 10 or 12 miles down
the river from here. Where he
intends to winter. At least
so I am told. I suppose
his address is Hites Cove.

Richard Whorton
will be able to give you
information concerning
the state of the trails &
procuring of Indians to
pack in case you should
fail in hearing from
McAuley. His address
is Hites Cove, also
Mariposa Co.

I shall hope to see you
soon & that you will
remain long enough in

our spiritual baths to
find the beauty & love that
your soul is seeking

Remember me to your
wife & to Ross &
Irvin. & Chas Warren
& Matthews. —

If it is not too much trouble
I wish you would send
one of those photographs
of mine at Kulopsons to
the following address

David G. Muir
Portage City
Wisconsin

Farewell, I am ever
your friend
John Muir